

December 28, 2015

MARKET ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NOMINATIONS HAS BEEN EXTENDED ONGOING

TO ALL PARTIES ASSOCIATED WITH CALIFORNIA FARM PRODUCTS AS:

- ✓ Handlers/Dealers/Cash Buyers/Brokers/Commission Merchants
- ✓ Processors
- ✓ Terminal Market Managers or Vendors
- ✓ Leaders or Representatives of Producer and/or Processor Commodity Organizations
- ✓ Farmers
- ✓ Other Agricultural Related Entities

The California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA), Market Enforcement Branch (Branch) is seeking nominations for its Market Enforcement Committee (MEC). The purpose of the MEC will be to provide interactive communication with the Branch regarding industry related issues and Branch operations.

The mission of the Branch is to objectively enforce laws aimed to ensure confidence and stability in the agricultural marketplace, including protecting against unfair business practices between producers, handlers, and processors of California farm products.

The committee will consist of 12-members made up of qualified individuals representing various segments of the agricultural industry. The term of service for members will be ongoing until replaced or a vacancy occurs and each member may nominate one alternate member.

Members (or their alternates) are expected to attend the MEC meetings as scheduled. The Branch anticipates holding an annual meeting in Sacramento; and if needed, one additional meeting per year may be scheduled. The Branch is projecting holding the first MEC meeting in early 2016.



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If you are interested in becoming a member of this committee, please submit a letter of interest including the name of the organization you represent, your title within the organization, contact information, and either a resume or a list of the qualifications and/or experience that make you a suitable candidate for appointment. Also, please nominate an alternate member from your organization, and submit the same information listed above for that person.

Please send your application materials (electronically or on paper) to:

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For your reference, additional information regarding the committee is attached to this letter. Nominations will continue until all twelve positions are filled. More information regarding the activities of the Market Enforcement Branch is available on the Branch's website: https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/mkt/meb. If you have any questions, you may contact Ms. Iljana at (916) 900-5016.

Thank you in advance for your interest in the Market Enforcement Committee.